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# **Glucose Metabolism: Gluconeogenesis**

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# Objectives

- **The importance of gluconeogenesis as an important pathway for glucose production**
- **The main reactions of gluconeogenesis**
- **The rate-limiting enzymes of gluconeogenesis**
- **Gluconeogenesis is an energy-consuming, anabolic pathway**

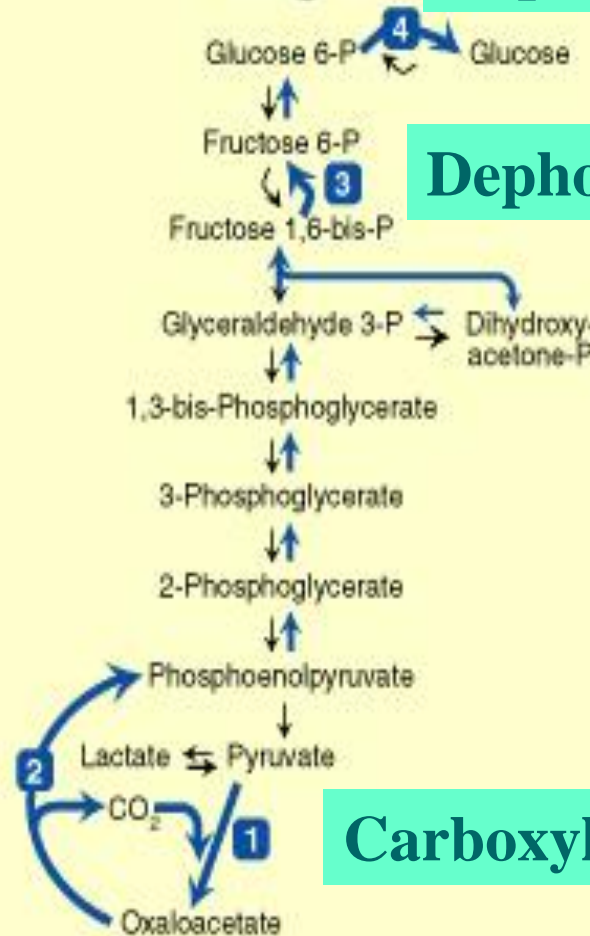
# **Gluconeogenesis: An Overview**

- **Liver (mainly) and Kidneys**
- **Both mitochondria and Cytosol**
  - Exception: Glycerol, only cytosol**
- **Gluconeogenic substrates:**
  - Glycerol**
  - Lactate and Pyruvate**
  - Glucogenic amino acids**

# Gluconeogenic Pathway

Dephosphorylation of G-6-P

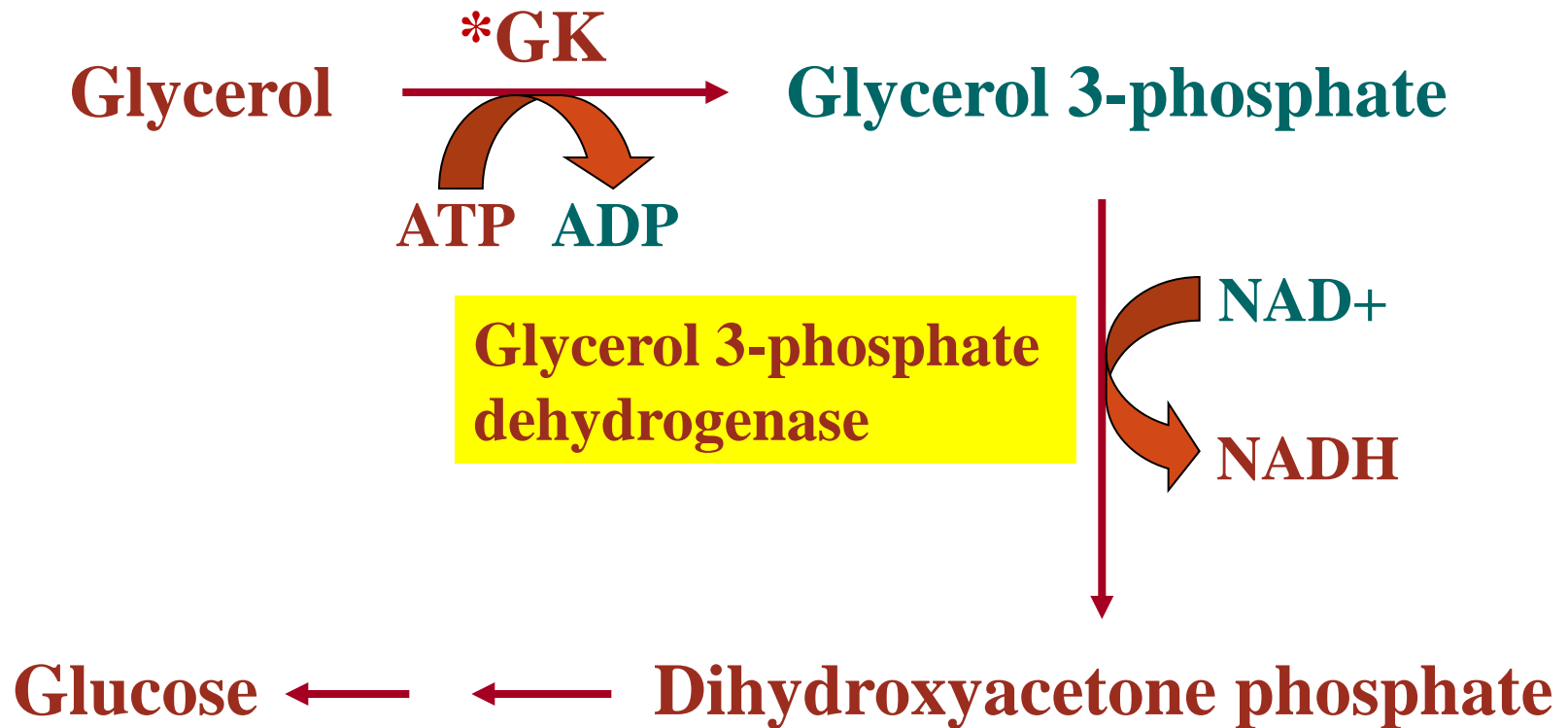
Dephosphorylation of F 1,6-P



Transport of OAA  
& decarboxylation  
into PEP

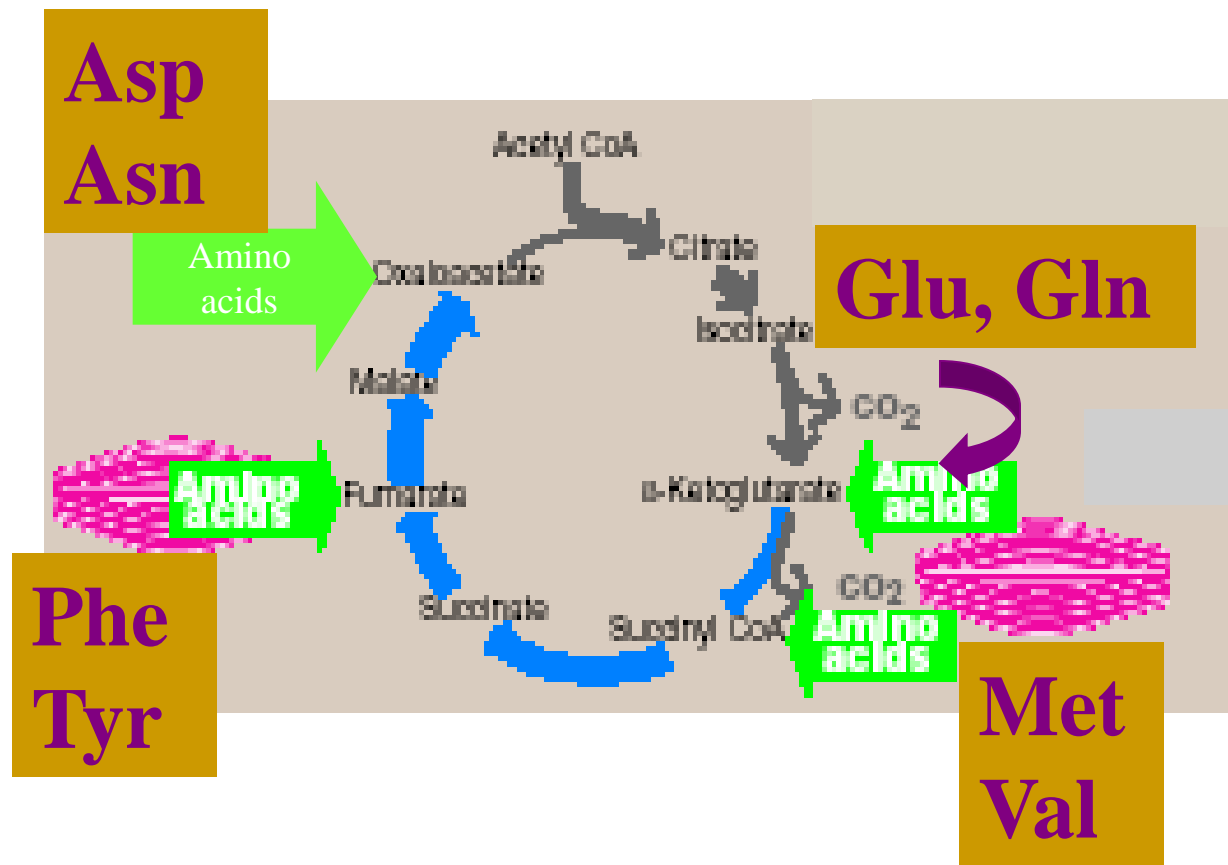
Carboxylation of pyruvate

# Gluconeogenic Substrates: Glycerol

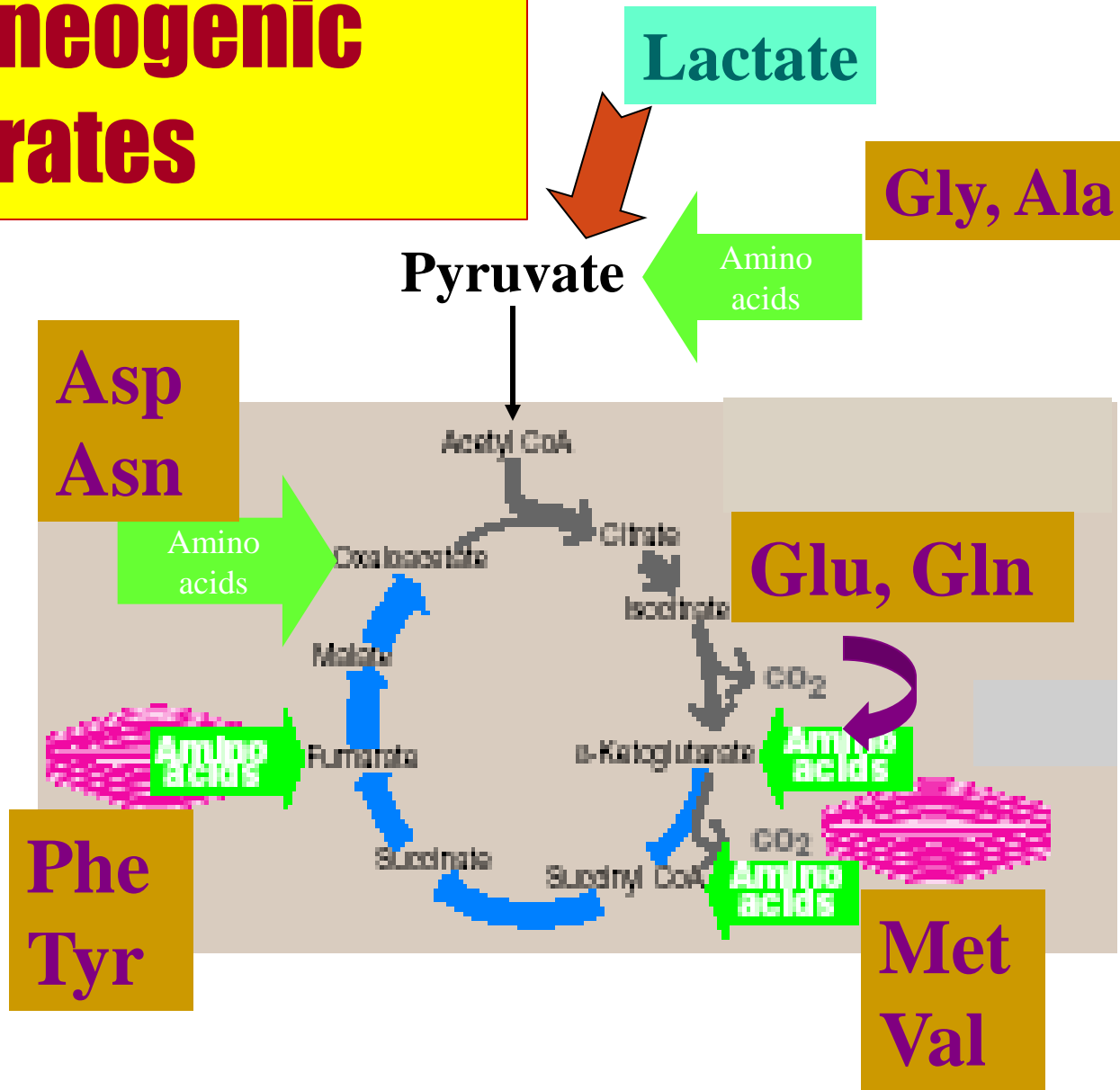


**\*GK: Glycerol kinase only in liver & kidneys**

# Glucogenic Amino Acids

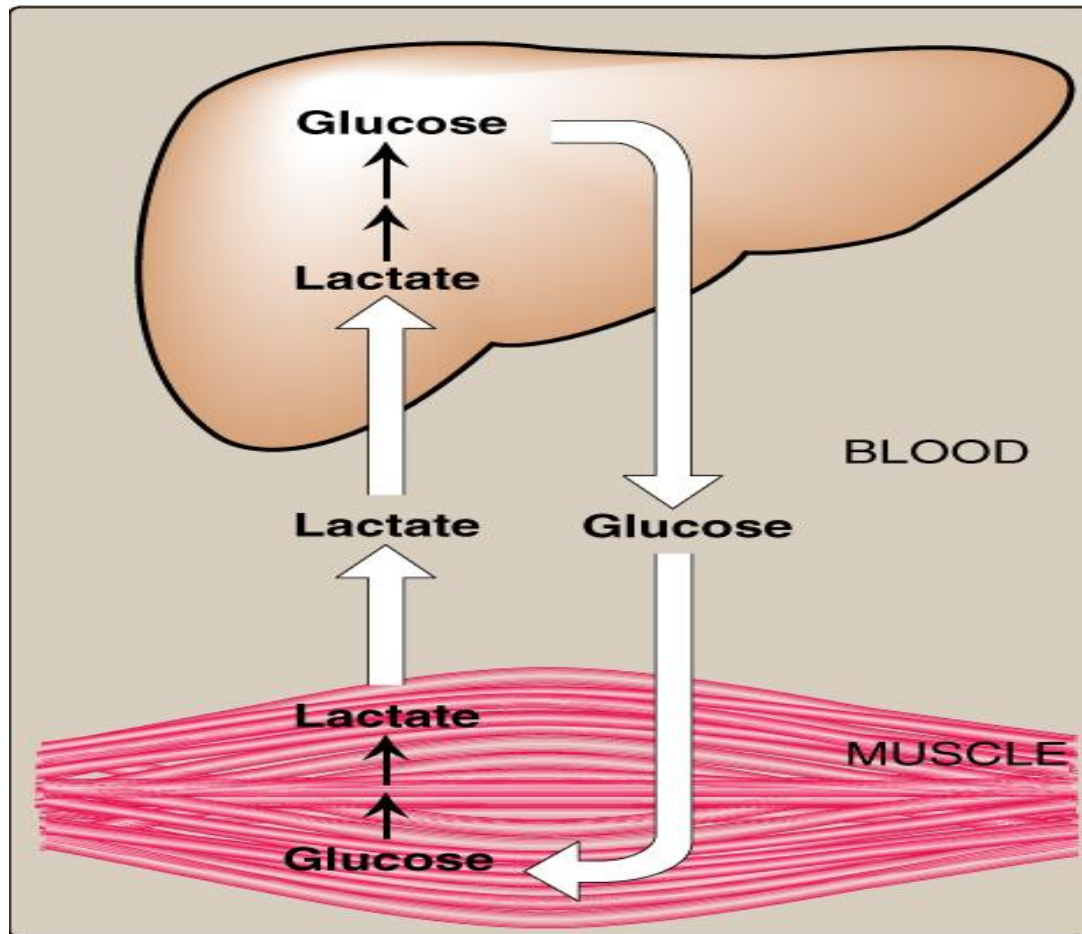


# Gluconeogenic Substrates





# Gluconeogenic Substrates: Lactate (Cori Cycle)



# Gluconeogenic Pathway

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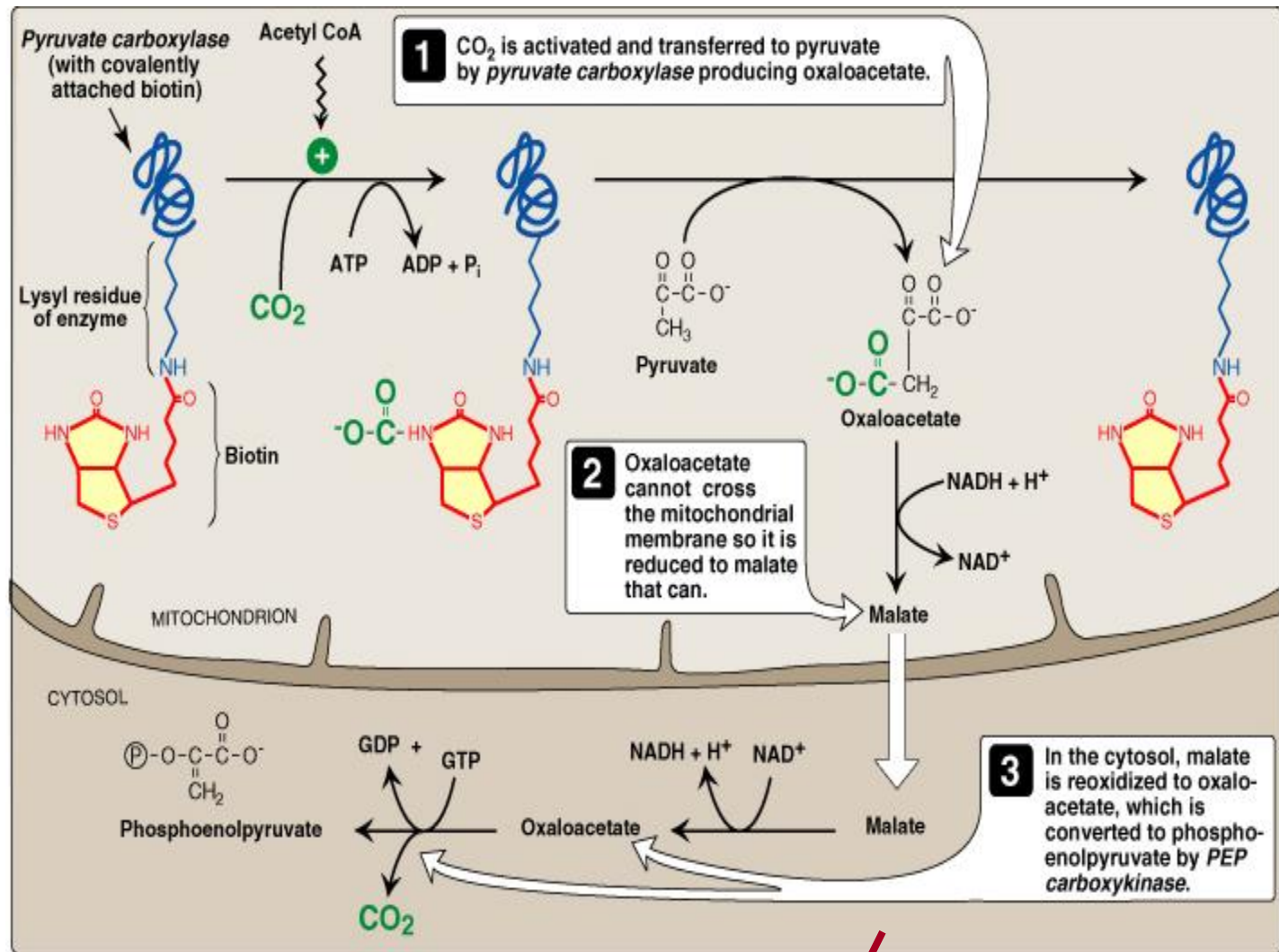
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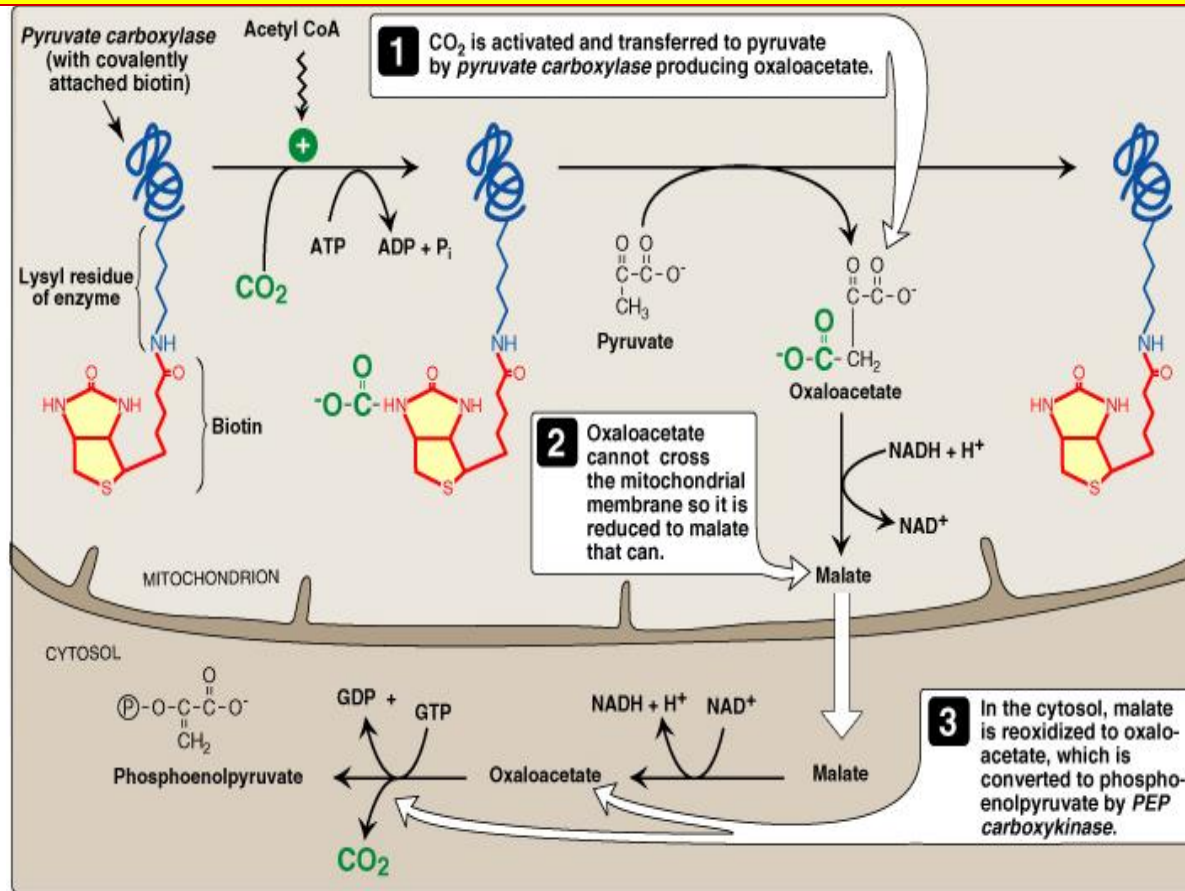
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# Pyruvate Carboxylase and PEP-CK



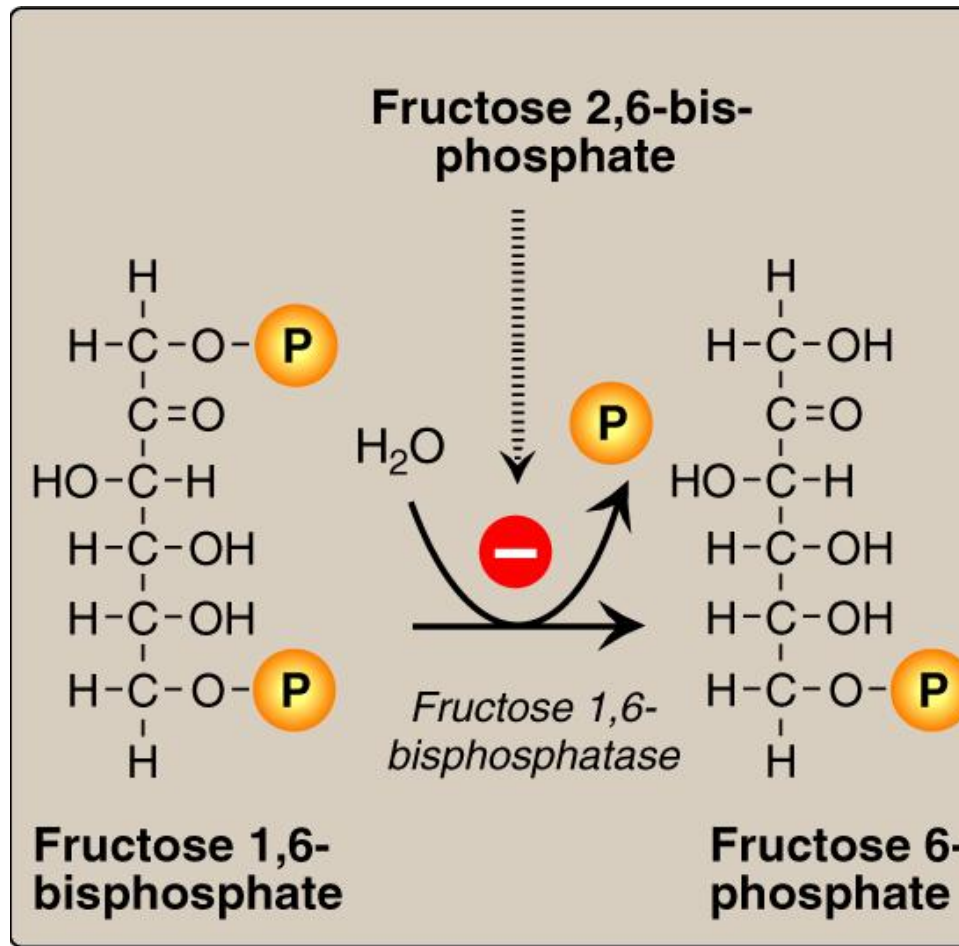
Pyruvate carboxylase + PEP-CK  $\neq$  Pyruvate kinase

# Regulation of Pyruvate Carboxylase



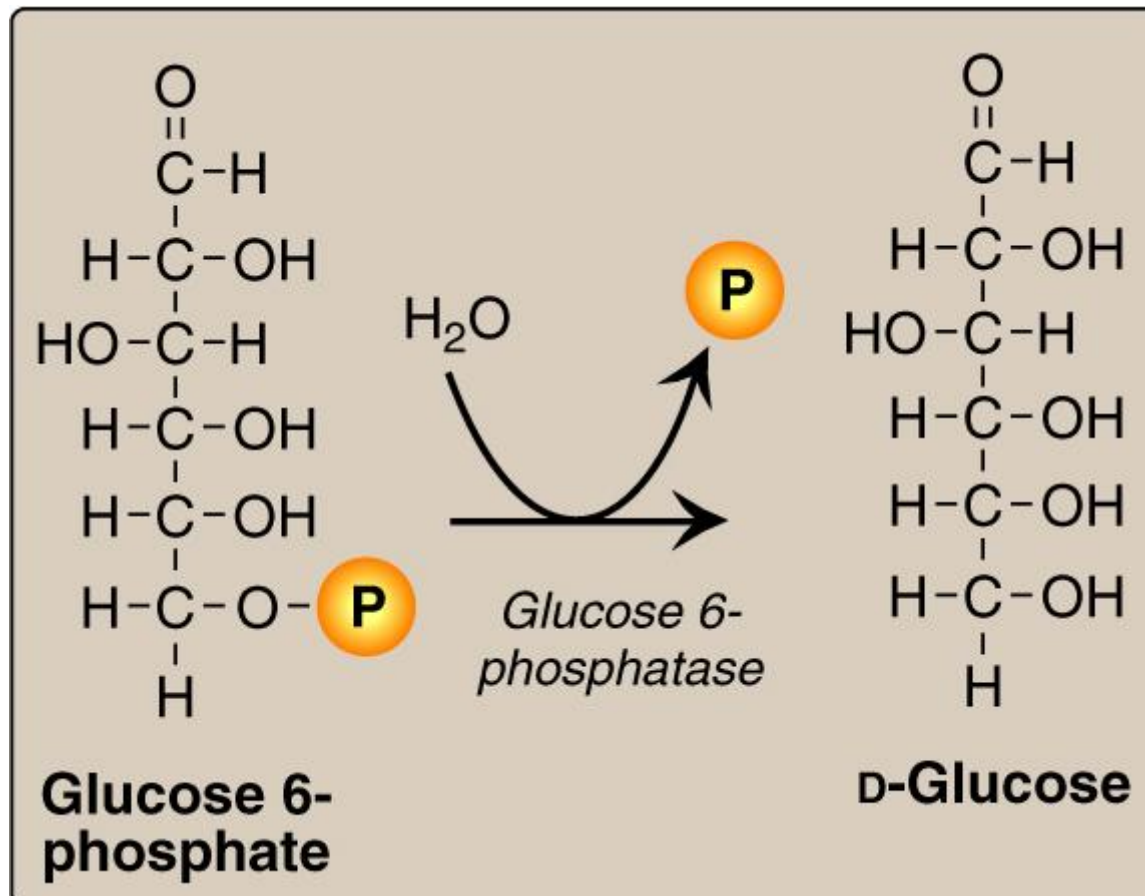
Fasting  $\rightarrow$   $\uparrow$  lipolysis in adipose tissue  $\rightarrow$   $\uparrow$  FFA to liver  $\rightarrow$  FA oxidation  $\rightarrow$   $\uparrow$  Acetyl CoA  $\rightarrow$  allosteric activation of pyruvate carboxylase to increase the Gluconeogenesis rate

# Fructose 1,6-Bisphosphatase



Fructose 1,6-bisphosphatase  $\neq$  PFK-1

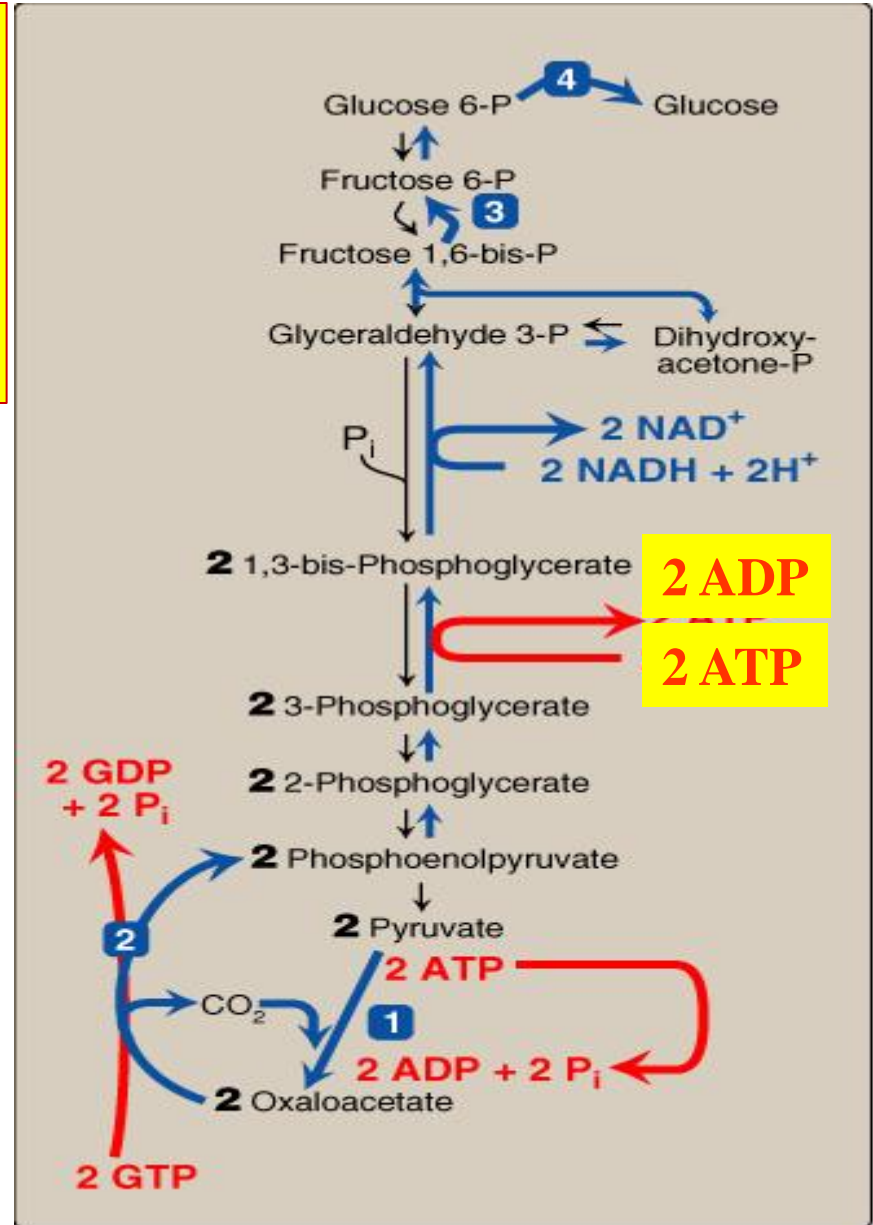
# Glucose 6-Phosphatase



**Glucose 6-phosphatase  $\neq$  Glucokinase**

# Gluconeogenesis: Energy Consumed

Six High-Energy  
Phosphate Bonds  
From Pyruvate to  
Glucose



# Gluconeogenesis: Regulation

- **Reciprocal control**

## Gluconeogenesis & Glycolysis

- **Allosteric:**

↑ **Acetyl CoA** → stimulates Pyruvate carboxylase

↓ **AMP** or ↑ **ATP**

*(i.e. energy-rich state in cells)*

↓ **F 2,6-Bisphosphate**

} → **Stimulate F 1,6-bisphosphatase**

- ↑ **Glucagon** (or ↓ **I/G ratio**): stimulates gluconeogenesis

**Allosteric** (glucagon → ↓ **F 2,6-Bisphosphate**)

**Induction** (glucagon → induction of **PEP-CK** gene)



# Take Home Message

- **Gluconeogenesis:**
  - **Synthesis of glucose from noncarbohydrates**
  - **Anabolic**
  - **Energy-consuming**
- **4 Unique enzymes are required for reversal of the 3 irreversible reactions of glycolysis**
- **Both gluconeogenesis & glycolysis are reciprocally-regulated**